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## REGENTS TO ASSIST ASCENSION COLLEGE STUDENTS

BATON ROUGE, La. – Students affected by the unexpected closure of Ascension College in Gonzales, Louisiana will have an opportunity to meet with officials from the Board of Regents, the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance, Ascension College, other licensed proprietary schools in the area, as well as representatives from the Louisiana Community and Technical College System this Friday. During the meeting, students who have not finished their coursework, but wish to continue their studies will be assisted in finding another school to attend to complete their studies.

The meeting for Ascension College students will be **Friday**, **August 6**, **2010**, **at 10:00** a.m. in **the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building**, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA.

Licensed Proprietary Schools in the area that will be in attendance to offer student assistance include:

- Baton Rouge School of Computers -- BR
- Baton Rouge School of Court Reporting -- BR
- Camelot College -- BR
- Compass Career College -- Hammond
- Delta College of Arts & Technology -- BR
- ITI Technical College -- BR
- Louisiana Dental Assisting School -- Zachary
- Medical Training College -- BR
- MedVance Institute of Baton Rouge -- BR
- Remington College -- BR
- Virginia College -- BR

Ascension College closed its doors on Monday after receiving notice from the United States Department of Education that its Title IV funding had been revoked. Approximately 137 LPN, medical assistant, medical office assistant and dental assistant students were displaced by the closure. Students with questions regarding Ascension College should contact the Board of Regents Proprietary School Office at 225-342-4253.